(b) whether beginning of production from Mangala oil field in Thar desert of Rajasthan and ramping up of output from Krishna-Godavari (KG) basin gas field have been hallmark of 100 days; and

(c) if so, what are other main achievements made by Ministry in 100 days target for oil production and what are other main steps to make country self-sufficient in gas and petroleum productions?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI JITIN PRASADA): (a) to (c) Introduction of Rajiv Gandhi Gramin LPG Vitarak Yojana, commencement of crude oil production from Mangala oil field in Rajasthan and ramping up of gas output from Krishna-Godavari (KG) basin gas field were major achievements for the Ministry of Petroleum & Natural Gas in the first 100 days of new Government. Road map for extending city gas services to 202 cities/towns by 2015 has also been prepared.

In addition, for easy and efficient way of booking refills, Oil Marketing Companies (OMCs) have launched SMS/IVRS facility in Delhi on 31.8.2009. This facility would cover all the towns having a population of 5 lakh and above in the entire country in a phased manner by 2015.

Further, in order to have a simple, unique and rememberable helpline for all customers across the country to air their complaints relating to marketing of petroleum products, the OMCs have launched on 31.8.2009 a common short code six digit **Toll Free Number** 155233 for registration of suggestions and complaints.

Pace of oil and gas exploration was intensified through offering of block under New Exploration Licensing Policy (NELP) VIII and Coal Bed Methane (CBM) IV rounds. Investments have also been made in equity oil abroad.

Productional gas in Krishna-Godavari basin

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SHRI RAVI SHANKAR PRASAD:

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that certain industrial sectors had been short-listed for selling gas produced in Krishna-Godavari basin;

(b) if so, names of the short-listed sectors;

(c) whether the priority of these sectors was decided keeping in view the needs of the country;

(d) if so, the order of priority of these sectors; and

(e) the allocation of the gas from KG basin made to different industrial sectors alongwith their names?

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†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI JITIN PRASADA): (a) and (b) The following are the priority sectors in terms of Gas Utilization Policy:

1. Existing gas-based fertilizers plants producing subsidized fertilizers.
2. Existing gas-based power plants and those to be commissioned in 2009-10, including liquid fuel plants which are now running on liquid fuel and could switch over to natural gas.
3. Existing gas-based LPG plants.
4. City Gas Distribution (CGD) entities for supply to domestic & transport sectors.
5. Existing gas-based steel plants (only for feedstock & not for captive power requirement)
6. Existing gas-based petrochemicals plants (only for feedstock & not for captive power requirement)
7. Existing refineries
8. Captive power plants
9. CGD entities for supply to commercial & industrial sectors

(c) and (d) Yes, Sir. The entire allocation to fertilizers sector (15.508 mmscmd), 31.165 mmscmd to power sector, 3 mmscmd to LPG sector, 0.83 mmscmd to CGD entities for supply to domestic & transport sectors, 4.19 mmscmd to steel sector, 1.918 mmscmd to petrochemicals sector and 5 mmscmd to refineries is on firm basis. 12 mmscmd to power sector, 6 mmscmd to refineries, 2 mmscmd to CGD entities for supply to commercial & industrial sectors and 10 mmscmd to captive power plants has been allotted on fallback basis. The unit mmscmd implies million standard cubic metres per day. Among firm allocations, the order of priority is fertilizers, LPG, Power and CGD (domestic & transport sectors) in the mentioned sequence. Amongst all fallback customers, the requirement of power sector would be firstly met and, thereafter, all the remaining customers would be supplied gas on *pro rata* basis.

(e) The quantity of KG D-6 gas allocated to various sectors is as follows:-

Sector	Firm allocations	Fallback allocations	Grand Total
Power	31.165	12	43.165
Fertilizer	15.508		15.508
C G D	0.83	2	2.83
Steel	4.19		4.19
Refineries	5	6	11
Petrochemicals	1.918		1.918
L P G	3		3
Captive Power		10	10
TOTAL	61.611	30	91.611